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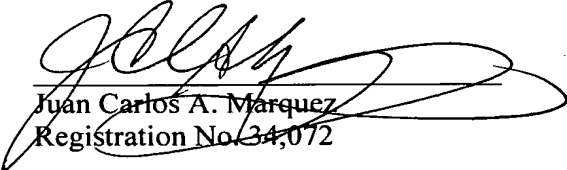
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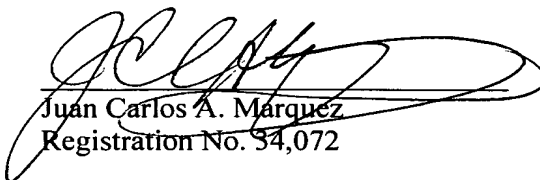
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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METHOD OF CONCEALED-COMMUNICATION TYPE )

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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on September 25, 2008, the period of response to which is set to expire on December 26, 2008. Please amend the above-referenced application as follows: